

Dear FCC

I am writing to oppose the NAB petition that was submitted to prevent satellite radio broadcasters such as XM Radio from providing news, traffic, and weather reports.

Satellite radio provides a tremendous variety of music, news, and entertainment that rivals the best of public radio markets. In addition, satellite radio is available anywhere at any time and with excellent sound quality. For that reason, the NAB is trying to stifle the competition in the satellite radio segment instead of encouraging their constituents to improve and keep up with technology and their competition.

Satellite radio has the right under the first amendment to provide information in any form to their audience. That right cannot be squashed by a lobby group for purely monetary reasons. For that reason, the FCC must refuse the NAB petition and allow news, weather, and traffic information to be broadcast on satellite radio.